

In response to an Office Action dated April 17, 1995 (Paper No. 4) as entered in the above-captioned matter, the applicants hereby respectfully submit the following amendment and response.

In the Claims:

Please cancel, without prejudice, **claims 5, 8, 15, 16, 22, and 23.**

In **claim 7**, at line 1 of the claim, please delete the term "(f)" and substitute therefor the term --(g)--.

In **claim 18**, at line 1 of the claim, please delete the term "(e)" and substitute therefor the term --(f)--.

Please amend claims **1, 11, and 21** to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for collecting network information from and providing user information to a plurality of computer networks, wherein each of the plurality of computer networks includes a server and computers, the method comprises the steps of:

a) transmitting, by each of the servers of the plurality of computer networks via a communication device over at least a first wireless communication channel, network information to a host computer on a periodic basis;

b) upon receiving the network information, storing, by the host computer, the network information to produce stored network information;

c) determining, by the host computer, whether [at least one computer network of] the plurality of computer networks need to

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receive specific user information, the specific user information being distinct from the network information [wherein determination is based on the stored network information];

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d) when the plurality of computer networks need to receive specific user information, determining, by the host computer, the specific user information based on the stored network information;

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e[d]) transmitting, by the host computer via a second wireless communication channel, the specific user information, to at least two servers [the server] of the plurality of [at least one] computer networks [network];

f[e]) distributing, by the at least two servers [server] of the plurality of [at least one] computer networks [network], a portion of the specific user information to at least one [a] computer [of the at least one computer network]; and[,]

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g[f]) after receiving the specific user information, displaying, by the at least one [a] computer [of the at least one computer network], the specific user information.

11. (Twice Amended) A method for collecting network information from and providing user information to a plurality of computers, the method comprises the steps of:

a) transmitting, by each of the plurality of computers via a communication device over at least a first wireless communication channel, network information to a host computer on a periodic basis;

- b) upon receiving the network information, storing, by the host computer, the network information to produce stored network information;
- c) determining, by the host computer, whether [at least one computer of] the plurality of computers need to receive specific user information, the specific user information being distinct from the network information [wherein determination is based on the stored network information];
- d) when the plurality of computers need to receive specific user information, determining, by the host computer, the specific user information based on the stored network information;
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e[d]) transmitting, by the host computer via a second wireless communication channel, the specific user information to the plurality of computers [at least one computer]; and
- f[e]) after receiving the specific user information, displaying by [the] at least one of the plurality of computers [computer], the specific user information.
21. (Twice Amended) A method for a host computer to collect network information from and provide user information to a plurality of users, the method comprises the steps of:
- a) [upon occurrence of an event,] receiving network information from the plurality of users on a periodic basis via at least a first wireless communication channel;
- b) upon receiving the network information, storing the network information to produce stored network information;

c) determining whether [at least one user of] the plurality of users need to receive specific user information, the specific user information being distinct from the network information [wherein determination is based on the stored network information]; [and]

d) when the plurality of users need to receive specific user information, determining the specific user information based on the stored network information; and

e[d]) transmitting the specific user information to the plurality of users via a second wireless communication channel [at least one user].

REMARKS

1. In the present Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 21, 23, and 24 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Williams (U.S. Patent No. 5,057,935). Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8, 11-13, 15-17, and 21-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Doelz (U.S. Patent No. 4,156,789) in view of Irby, III et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,021,949) and Jain (U.S. Patent No. 5,193,151). Claims 11 and 22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Williams in view of Jain. Claims 4 and 14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Doelz in view of Irby, III et al. and Jain, and further in view of Ellison et al. ("Reap the rewards of LAN inventory programs"). Claims 7 and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Doelz in view of Irby, III et al. and Jain, and further in view of Ogaki et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,654,799). The specification was objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.73 for not providing a Summary of the Invention. These rejections and